

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Title on page 1 as follows:

MAP DISPLAYING APPARATUS, MAP DISPLAYING METHOD, AND MAP ~~DISPLAYING PROGRAM~~ COMPUTER PRODUCT

Please replace paragraph [0020] at page 12, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0020] The map-data distributing server 10 is a server that distributes map data to the map displaying apparatus 20, the map data including sets of curved-point coordinates, identification information, and a road name of each road used for displaying the roads in the map data. The network 15 is a network that wirelessly connects the map-data distributing server 10 to the map displaying apparatus 20.

Please replace paragraph [0024] at pages 13-14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0024] As shown in Fig. 2, the road identification information correspondence table shows, in correspondence, road identification information and sets of curved-point coordinates for each of the roads. To be more specific, the road identified with identification information "Road 1" includes as many as N curved points, namely the curved point (x11, y11) to the curved point (x1N, y1N). Likewise, the road identified with identification information "Road 2" includes as many as N curved points, namely the curved point (x21, y21) to the curved point (x2N, y2N). Each of all the roads shown in the drawing includes as many as N curved points for the sake of convenience in explanation; however, an arrangement is also acceptable where different roads have different numbers of curved points. As shown in Fig. 3, the road-name table shows, in correspondence, pieces of road identification information and road names. To be more specific, the road identified with the identification information "Road 1"

is “YASUKUNI DORI”, and the road identified with the identification information “Road 2” is “AOYAMA DORI”.

Please replace paragraph [0025] at page 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0025] With reference to Fig. 1 again, the display data memory 253 is a memory unit that stores therein actual map display data that corresponds to a display screen of the displaying unit 220 and may be a color image memory having 320 pixels by 240 pixels, for example. The display data sub-memory 254 is a memory that stores therein one or more road names that are determined to be displayed in the display data memory 253. More specifically, the display data sub-memory 254 is a memory that checks to see if there is interference between the one or more road names determined to be displayed in the display data memory 253 and a road name temporarily displayed in the display-data provisional memory ~~55~~ 255 and may be a monochrome image memory having 320 pixels by 240 pixels, for example. The display-data provisional memory 255 is a temporary memory that temporarily displays a road name to check to see if it is possible to position the road name and may have a memory size of 100 pixels by 100 pixels, for example.

Please replace paragraph [0026] at pages 14-15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0026] The control unit 260 is a controller that controls the map displaying apparatus 20 as a whole. The control unit 260 receives requests and instructions from a user and controls the processing performed by other constituent elements and the flows of data. More specifically, the control unit 260 includes a road-information obtaining unit 261, a map-display-area determining unit 262, a ~~map-display~~ road-display judging unit 263, and a map-display-data generating unit 264. The road-information obtaining unit 261 is a processing unit that

obtains, out of the map data distributed by the map-data distributing server 10, the sets of curved-point coordinates, the identification information, and the road name of each of the roads, used for displaying the roads in the map data.

Please replace paragraph [0054] at page 26, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0054] Firstly, the configuration of a map display system according to the second embodiment of the invention will be explained. Fig. 10 is a functional block diagram of the configuration of the map displaying system according to the second embodiment. As shown in the drawing, the only difference from the functional block diagram for the first embodiment shown in Fig. 1 is a road-name-display identification table 256. Accordingly, the road-name-display identification table 256 included in the map displaying apparatus 20 shown in Fig. ~~[[1]]~~ 10 will be explained. Fig. 11 is a drawing of an example of the road-name-display identification table 256 included in the map displaying apparatus 20 shown in Fig. 10.

Please cancel the original Abstract at page 43, lines 1-15 in its entirety and insert therefor the following replacement Abstract on a separate sheet as follows: